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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment Under Rule 116 in response to the communication dated December 26, 2006 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	6	Minus	20	12	x \$50.00	\$600.00
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	0	x \$200.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$360.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____.

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_____ A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

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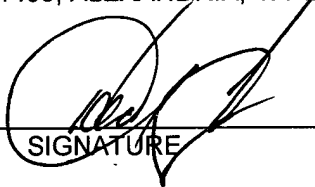
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Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated December 26, 2006, please enter the following amendments in the consideration of the above patent application.

Amendment to the claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.